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Letter dated 25 April 2017 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to Ambassador Matthew Rycroft's letter of 15 March 2017, I have the honour to inform you that the members of the Security Council have agreed to send a mission to Colombia from 3 to 5 May 2017. They have also agreed on the terms of reference of the mission (see annex).

The mission will be led by Ambassador Matthew Rycroft (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Ambassador Elbio Rosselli (Uruguay).

Following consultations with the members, it has been agreed that the composition of the mission will be as follows:

Ambassador Sacha Sergio Llorentty Soliz (Bolivia (Plurinational State of))
Ambassador Liu Jieyi (China)
Ambassador Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta (Egypt)
Ambassador Tekeda Alemu (Ethiopia)
Ambassador François Delattre (France)
Ambassador Sebastiano Cardi (Italy)
Ambassador Koro Bessho (Japan)
Ambassador Kairat Umarov (Kazakhstan)
Mr. Evgeny T. Zagaynov (Russian Federation)
Ambassador Fodé Seck (Senegal)
Ambassador Olof Skoog (Sweden)
Ambassador Volodymyr Yelchenko (Ukraine)
Ambassador Matthew Rycroft (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
Ambassador Michele Sison (United States of America)
Ambassador Elbio Rosselli (Uruguay)

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Nikki **Haley**
President of the Security Council

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Annex

Terms of reference of the Security Council mission to Colombia

1. The Security Council will carry out its mission to the Republic of Colombia in the context of Security Council resolutions 2261 (2016) and 2307 (2016).

2. The objectives of the mission are as follows:

(a) To demonstrate the Security Council's full commitment to the peace process in Colombia and its support for the implementation of the Final Agreement for Ending the Conflict and Building a Stable and Lasting Peace;

(b) To observe and support the efforts of the United Nations Mission in Colombia to implement its mandate in line with Security Council resolutions 2261 (2016) and 2307 (2016);

(c) To commend the Government of Colombia and the Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia — Ejército del Pueblo (FARC-EP) on bringing an end to the conflict in Colombia after more than 50 years;

(d) Recognizing the challenges involved in transitioning into a post-conflict environment, to understand the aspirations and concerns of the parties and other actors and to encourage the parties to maintain their positive cooperation and momentum in implementing the Agreement for the benefit of all Colombians;

3. The mission will seek to achieve these objectives through meetings with:

(a) The Government of Colombia;

(b) The United Nations Mission in Colombia;

(c) The tripartite Monitoring and Verification Mechanism;

(d) Senior representatives of the parties, with the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Colombia and Head of the United Nations Mission in Colombia;

(e) Peace Commissions of Congress;

(f) Members of civil society and non-governmental organizations;

(g) The United Nations country team in Colombia.

4. The mission will also seek to achieve its objectives through a visit to a zone where FARC-EP are regrouping and laying down their arms, which will include briefings from the United Nations Mission in Colombia, Monitoring and Verification Mechanism teams and local community leaders.

5. The mission will seek to implement lessons learned from previous Security Council missions.